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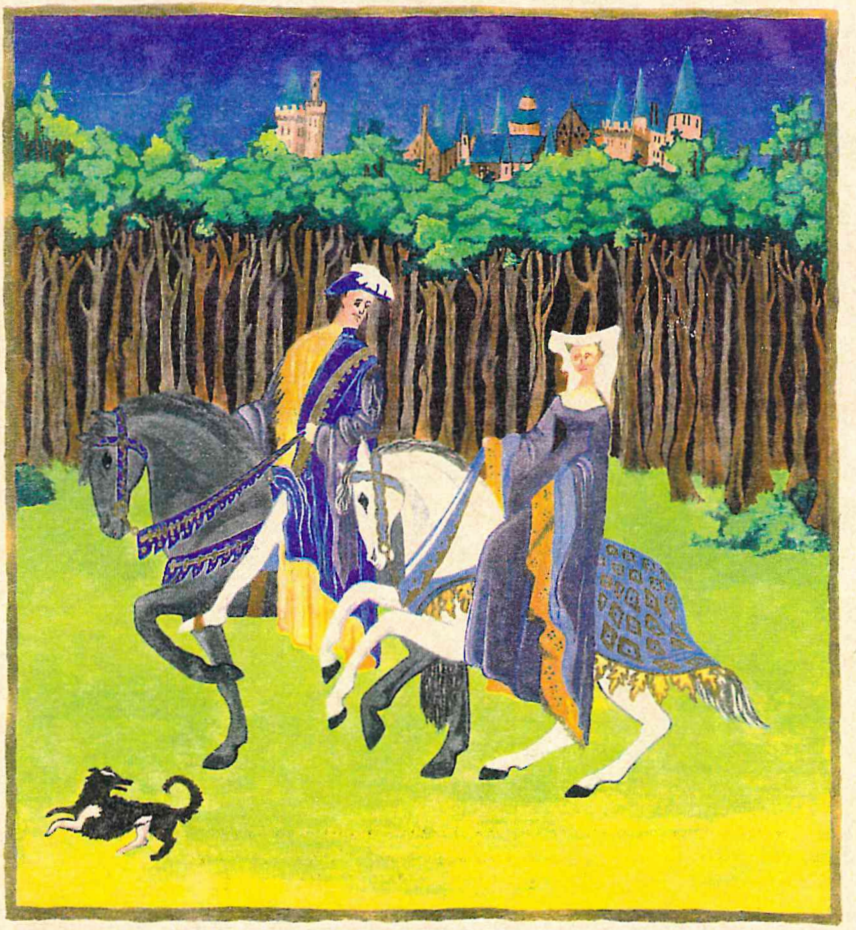

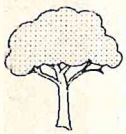

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Officers reports are due at officers meeting unless other arrangements are made beforehand.

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October - a.s. xxx						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 UH Fighter	2	3 BoFharrach Potluck	4 St. Martin Equestrian	5 Archery	6	7 Newcomer's College and Revel
8 UH Fighter	9 Dance Practice	10 BF Fighter	11 St. Martin	12 Archery	13	14 Kingdom A&S Colleguim
15 UH Fighter Kingdom A&S	16 State of the Barony Meeting	17 BoFharrach A&S	18 St. Martin Equestrian	19 Archery	20	21 Blacksmithing
22 UH Fighter	23 Dance Practice	24 BF Fighter	25 St. Martin	26 Archery	27	28 University of Caerhle
29 UH Fighter	30	31 No BoFharrach				

Information on weekly Baronial activities is on the inside back cover. Information on BoFharrach activities is located in the BoFarrach section in the center of the Tosspot.

October

7 - Newcomer's College and Revel (Unser Hafen) Wenhauer (970) 225-8081 22
14-15 - Kingdom A&S Collegium (Hinterland) Maura (308) 783-1872 26
16 - State of the Barony Meeting, Open to all gentles, 7-9 PM, Theresea (970) 482-6608

November

4-5 - Baronial A&S Competition (Unser Hafen) Mark (970) 225-8081 24-25
5 - ARCHERY PRACTICE AT A&S SITE, Rosalind (970) 667-1284 24-25
5 - FIGHTER PRACTICE AT A&S SITE, Caradoc (970) 416-0474 24-25
11 - Outlands Coronation (Citadel) Cyrred (915) 590-2461

December

2 - Hunter's Feast (Windkeep) - Rhys (307) 632-1133
9 - Caer Galen Midwinter, Francesca (303) 581-9814 27

January

6 - Twelfth Night (Caerthe) Genevieve (303) 661-9682

February

14-19 - Estrella War XII (Atenveldt) Lyn (602) 271-7083

From the
Chieftan and PRAEFECTUS

Unto the good people of Unser Hafen, greetings from Llamrei and Titus, Chleftain and Praefectus.

First up this month is the Newcomer's Revel, one of our most important events of the year. We will get a chance to welcome and honor all the folk who have recently chosen to join us, and to give them a taste of what our Society is all about. There will be tourneys (heavy and light), archery, arts and sciences, classes, the Bazaar, and an excellent potluck feast. We urge all our new members to come and experience a real event, and all the old timers to come and help make it a good time.

We hope everyone will attend the Barony Meeting on October 16. We have not had regular populace meetings for some time now. At the time, the monthly meetings were very poorly attended and served no purpose. However, we have continued to hold monthly officers meetings to conduct business, and we have made announcements at dance practices and fighter practices to disseminate information. It was suggested that perhaps a quarterly or bi-monthly meeting for the entire populace would be a good idea, and we and the officer corps agreed. So come to the Barony Meeting on the 16th to hear officer reports, plans for the next year, the calendar, and to ask any questions you might have of us or the officers. We want input from the populace; we can only know what you are thinking if you tell us.

We have a special request for all of our members who smoke. Your choice to indulge in smoking is your own, but please remember it is not necessarily the choice of the people around you. We ask all smokers to be courteous and to realize that some people have serious reactions to cigarette smoke. Many of our sites do not allow smoking, so please be aware of the rules, and please dispose of your cigarette butts properly. They are made of fiberglass and they are not biodegradable. Finally, cigarettes are not even remotely appropriate to the medieval period. We ask that you do not smoke while court is going on, or any other formal part of an event. And we will only say this once: if you smoke anything at an SCA function that is not legal in the state of Colorado, you will be asked to leave and not come back. We wish to thank the many very courteous members of the Barony who have been considerate in their smoking habits. You are an example for others.

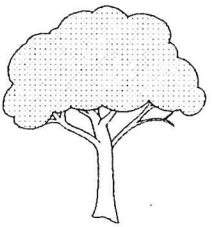
Baronial Arts and Sciences is right around the corner! We would love to see everyone enter something. The Kingdom Arts and Sciences Collegium is this month in Hinterland, and is always a great place to go and learn.

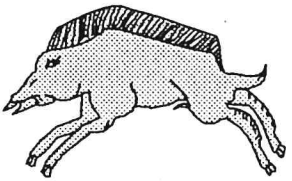
Llamrei **Chieftan**		Titus **Praefectus**
Sir Dedtrich Hiltipard **Defender**	Lord Egbert de l'Abbey du St. Martin **Protector**	Lord Duncan O'Shea **Warden**
	Baronial Guard	
Minamoto Genshiro Arglwydd Caradoc ap Rhys	Lady Killinen Lord Minamoto Takashige	Gerard of Grey Niche Moryen ap Glyndwr
THL Rosalind of Wellmark **Protocol Minister**	Lord Theopompus Leonidas **Lictor**	Baroness Brannwyn Ottersby **Baronial Bard**
	Axel **Baronial Page**	

Finally, on a sad note, we have learned that our friend, Her Excellency Caltlyn of the Barony of Namron In Ansteorra, was killed in an accident last month. We salute her memory and offer our sincere condolences to His Excellency Pepin and the Barony of Namron.

In Service,

LLAMREI TITVS CLAVDIVS SEVERVS





Anthem to Unser Hafen

a song by Lady Llamrei Aethnen in honor of Unser Hafen's elevation to baronial status
(to the tune of "Now I See Thy Looks Were Feigned", with apologies)

From the shores of the grassy sea,
From the mighty mountain's feet,
Rose a village, then a tower.
Now a castle guards our bower.
Joyous Outlands, your holds are fair,
But Unser Hafen's beyond all compare.

Refrain: Strong portcullis, golden wall,
Guard our haven, home and all.
Strong portcullis, golden wall,
Guard our haven, home and all.

Orchards, cattle, fields and forest tall;
Treasures these, but prized o'er all
Folk of diverse skill who wield
Every craft in every field.
Warriors brave their lives bestow
To guard them well with sword, rapier and bow.

In Unser Hafen, barony fair,
A knight so noble governs there.
Hail Sir Kevin, baron bold
With warrior's heart and harper's soul.
Generously he rules his land
With scholar's wisdom and artisan's hand.

Officer's Reports

A warm welcome to all the new people. I hope you will find a comfortable and fulfilling place in our group. Newcomers Revel is coming up on October 7th. Be sure to sign up for the Potluck, but come even if you don't decide what to bring until the last minute. Nothing will be turned down for dinner and everyone is welcome.

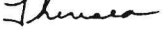
You might notice that the Planning Calendar below is getting short. This means that it's about time to start planning for next year. If, you have an idea for an event or want to work on one of our traditional events, now is the time to come forward.
We will be holding a **STATE OF THE BARONY MEETING** on October 16th at 7:00pm sharp. The meeting will be held at the City Library in the Ben Delator Room and will be finished by 9:00pm.
Bring ideas, questions and finger food. All the Officers will be presenting information on their offices and the Baron and Baroness will have some information for all of us.

PLANNING CALENDAR

Oct 7	NEWCOMERS Revel (Wenhaver, 225-8081) Waverly Community Center
Oct 14-15	Kingdom A&S (Mistress Liobsynde, 719-520-9838) Hinterland
Oct 16	**STATE OF THE BARONY MEETING** (Theresea, 482-6608)
Nov 4	Baronial A&S Competition (Lord Mark, 225-8081) Waverly Community Center.
Dec 9?	Baronial Yule
Mar 16, 1996	Dance Collegium

Yours in Service,

THL Theresea die Tanzerin



From the Office of the Herald

Good morrow, fair Unser Hafen. I pray your trees and property came through the storm in good condition. You can write to their majesties at:

TRM Hrothgar and Madigan
c/o Kevin Roderick and Madigan Chandler
415 Girard SE, Apt. 2
Albuquerque, NM 87106

This month I hope to provide you with an idea of the heraldic positions of animals. Please be aware that these terms may change somewhat in regards to the type of animal; for example, a deer lying on the ground, head erect, is termed "lodged" whereas a lion in the same position will be termed "couchant". For the most part, however, the terms remain the same. I am unaware if all of these terms are presently used in the SCA, although they are all period so it would seem permissible to use any of them.

1. statant -	standing
2. coward-	tail between legs, seen in lynx
3. at gaze / guardant-	standing, head turned to face viewer
4. passant/ trippant-	walking, dexter limb raised
5. passant guardant-	like 4, with head turned to face viewer
6. salient-	springing (seemingly upwards), hind legs placed, front legs lifted
7. courant-	springing (seemingly forward), hind legs placed, front legs lifted
8. courant (var.)-	springing forward, all legs off ground
9. rampant-	one foot on ground, other limbs poised forward to attack
10. rampant combatant-	like 9, except 2 animals facing each other
11. sejant guardant-	seated, watchful- head turned to face viewer
12. sejant reguardant-	seated, head turned over shoulder
13. sejant guardant erect-	like 11, with front limbs raised
14. lodged/ couchant-	lying down, head erect
15. dormant-	like 14, except eyes are closed, head rests on forelimbs

Spanish heraldry shows a wolf can be depicted "ravissant" that is carrying the body of a lamb in its mouth or across its back. Surely there are more terms for other unusual positions or conditions. Fish and birds have positional heraldic terms specific to them which I may diaplay for you another time.

AT LAUREL
Aedhann Brecc- device
Anne Mathieu- name
Bofharrach- device
Bofharrach- name
Ceindrych Costaine- device
Conchobhar O'Loingseachain- device
Mark de Saint-Saveur-le-Vicompte- device
Rand the Tracker of Oak Hollow- device
Robert Edward Stewart- device
Robert Edward Stewart- name
St. Martin's Abbey- badge
St. Martin's Abbey- device
St. Martin's Abbey- name
Sekimura Minamoto Akiranaga- mon (needs redraw, though, please come see me)
Sekimura Minamoto Akiranage- name
Sone Minamoto Gentarou Takashige- name
Tuman Elnikov- device
Tuman Elnikov- name

AT KINGDOM
Amice de Fayel- device
Anne Mathieu- device resubmission
Caradoc ap Rhys- device
Gerard de Saint Michel- name change
Sarolta of Sarkel- device
Segovax Vercingetorix Nertocenmarus- badge
Segovax Vercingetorix Nertocenmarus- name
Tamlene ap Guidgen- device resubmission

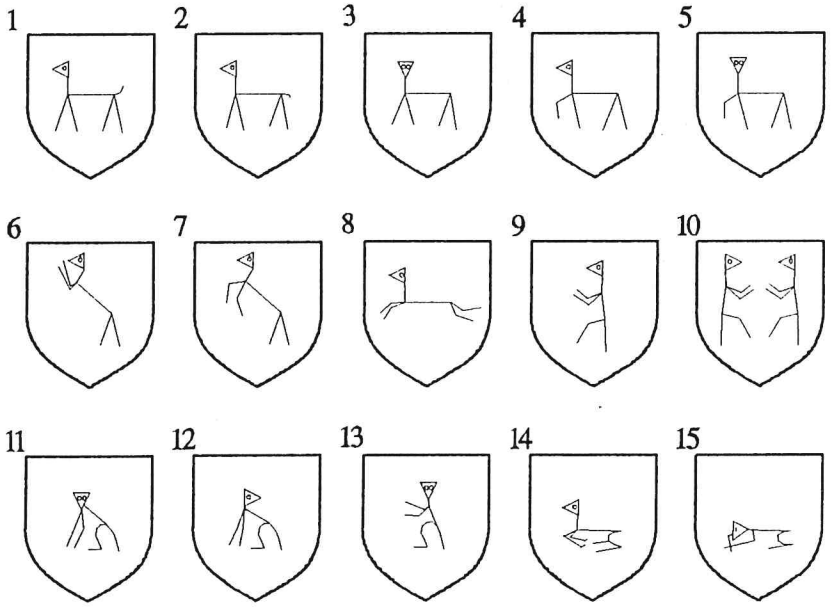
RETURNED
Eleanor Ælfheah- name returned for temporal fix of spelling, please call me
Order of the Corona Graminea of Unser Hafen- badge returned for 3-dimensional problem. I am exploring options for you and will be in contact soon.
Sone Minamoto Gentarou Takashige- badge (waiting on the word from laurel about cross)
Sone Minamoto Gentarou Takashige- mon (also needs redraw, maybe more?)

Lord Duncan, Lady Galiana, Lady Kilinnen, m'lady Rosslin; I know you are nearly ready to go! Galiana is making a change to her last name, and is ready to submit! You do not see the others names on the list yet? Me neither! I am often available on Thursday evenings so call me and lets get you in process! M'lady Elsbeth and Lady Damiana and Tetsuo-sama- you've been members long enough now for me to start battering your doors down! I am, as ever,

In Your Service,

Wenhauer

Barbican Pursuivant (acting)



Unto the fair people of this great Barony, greetings:

The summer is over now, and most of the events are behind us. I hope everyone had a lot of fun this tourney season. But winter is coming, and this is the time for armor improvements and regular practices. Speaking of which, I have a few things to say about attendance at practice lately. Basically it stinks. I know that people have other lives, and, as anybody who has read my articles before knows, I don't think peoples' lives should revolve around the SCA. But our practice attendance has been beyond poor. On two occasions this summer there hasn't been a practice because NO FIGHTERS SHOWED UP. Practice was scheduled, but no one came. On another two occasions Unser Hafen was outnumbered 2:1 and once 5:1 by people from surrounding areas who attended our practices. We've had a LOT of new people try out fighting lately, and I can't tell you how many times I've apologized to them saying: "Oh, there's usually more people here." or "I'm sorry we don't have enough swords for you to fight a lot today, but if you come by next week, I'm sure it will be better." I don't like things like that. I think its an embarrassment to the Barony. I think it reflects poorly on all of us. I remember practices with 20 or more fighters. I haven't seen more then 8 (from Unser Hafen) all summer. Once more I want to reiterate, you're mundane life IS more important. If you can't be there, OK. But please try as hard as you can. Please don't say, well its cloudy, or its to hot, etc. The excuses are myriad, but the more they take hold, the more they will be used. Its a downward spiral that I want to end. That is why I am writing this so strongly. I don't want people to be upset. I want people to show up.

To that end, I want to announce that some old practices will be reinstituted. Unser Hafen well again begin issuing challenges to other groups at our practices. I also hope to soon have "mini-collegiums" on fighting technique and other topics held at fighter practices. For instance, one Sunday might be devoted to learning glaive, another to learning to make various weapons. A picnic lunch might be part of it. If you have any ideas, suggestions, or comments about this please give me a call. I hope to have definite dates and events for you next month.

As my final bit of business, I want to announce that we have secured the Field House for winter fighter practice again. We have already scheduled for fall semester, and are waiting for spring scheduling to begin. In November, our first Sunday, the 5th, will see practice held at the Baronial A&S competition at Waverly. The second Sunday, the 12th, will be our first practice indoors. The time is 3 - 6PM. The other dates, until the beginning of spring semester, are Nov. 19; Dec. 3, 10, & 17; Jan. 7. Other dates practice is canceled due to holidays, and beyond Jan. 7th has not been scheduled yet. So I hope to see you all there!

In Your Service, I am,

Caradoc ap Rhys

Greeting to the Barony from the Chronicler

This issue marks the fifth anniversary of Unser Hafen's elevation to Barony. I have included several articles of a historical nature in addition to the cover art I asked Damiana to do. Even though the anniversary is past (as far as printing goes) I am still looking for any article of a historical nature (histerical are also needed). Some people are off the hook because they gave me something two years ago for the third anniversary. The rest of you who have been playing for a couple of years should sit down with pen and paper (or at the keyboard) and write down something that might interest the rest of us. If you're saying, "But it's not that interesting," trust me, it will interest something. My goal is to scribe a chronicle of the Barony's history. So if you have something to tell, but don't want it printed or your name attached to it, that can be arranged.

I wish to thank Damiana and Lughbec for the artwork in this issue. They did a wonderful job didn't they. The "The Tosspot" logo on the cover was designed by Damiana and will be the new logo for at least a year.

In service to Their Excellencies,

Robin Spenser

equestrian practice at the csu equine center

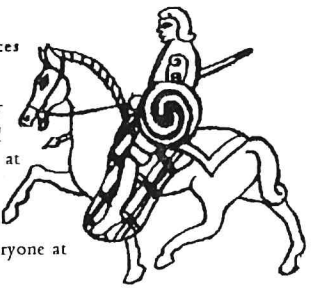
Wednesday October 4 - Adams/Atkinson Arena, 5:30PM - 9:30PM
Wednesday October 18 - Main Arena at the Equine Center, 7:30PM - 10:30PM
Wednesday November 1 - Adams/Atkinson Arena, 5:30PM - 9:30PM
Wednesday November 22 - Main Arena at the Equine Center, 5:30PM - 9:30PM
Wednesday December 6 - Adams/Atkinson Arena, 5:30PM - 9:30PM
Wednesday December 20 - Main Arena at the Equine Center, 5:30PM - 9:30PM

Greetings unto the populace of Unser Hafen!

The practice in the Main Arena, for those of us that have horses, will be meeting for gaming practice. Those that are interested in coming to this practice are very welcome as we could use help with a ground crew.

At the practice in the Adams/Atkinson Arena everyone is welcome to attend and have an opportunity to ride and be around the horses.

NOTICE!!! due to insurance regulations, all attendees at practices must be memebers.



The Equine Center is on Overland Trail near the corner of Elizabeth. To attend these practices, health insurance and a signed waiver is required as is SCA membership. Waivers will be available at practices so please bring your proof of health insurance. Garb is optional but not recommended. If you need more information, please contact Damiana at 498-0798. Thank you all for your patience and support on this endeavor! I look forward to seeing everyone at Equestrian Practice!

Damiana

Greetings from the Equestrian Guild of Unser Hafen.

In the month of March our Guild received a generous gift from Lord Tamlene at Dance Collegium. This gift was a beautiful box in which to put horse "stuff" in. It has come to pass that important horse "stuff" to be placed in this box should include emergency medical supplies to assist our horses in times of trouble. These items have been found to be expensive and so I, Damiana, on behalf of the Equestrian Guild would like to ask for either of the follow items to be donated or for the donation of a small charity to raise the money to begin to supply our emergency medical box. Either sort of donation would be greatly appreciated. Thank you! If there are any questions please call 498-0798. Damiana

flashlight
duct tape
sponges (variable sizes)
epson salts
good scissors
hydrogen peroxide
rubbing alcohol
rubber bucket
gloves
wire cutters
gauze
powdered Gator-Aide
large cotton roll
and other veterinary supplies

Follows the tale of Summer, Not

THL Theresea die Tanzerin

In summer of 1985, the then Shire of Stonehaven held an event named "Summer Games". The main focus of the "Games" was fighting. During the next Fall and Winter, the number of fighters in the Shire was greatly reduced, so we decided that we would hold a summer event with the emphasis on activities other than fighting. A name was needed, much discussing followed without much progress. Then, Paul von dem Holtzstaub (then known as Paul the Dusty) opened his mouth and the comment "well, some are games and Summer Not" fell out and not only named the Event but set the theme. "Stonehaven's" Pun event was born.

The idea of the event was to include activities that elicited as many puns and types of puns as possible. I made Paul his unofficial banner for this event, which is blazoned as... Or a blatant Pun rampant to Sinister, with a barbed tail, like all good puns. (If you haven't seen the banner, I will have it at the Newcomers Revel). The site tokens were black furry pears on a green background, which was read as "vaire' pear vert" (we learned latter that they should have been green pears on a black fur background.) The littles that help set things up, carry things and etc were given "Gopher Badges", wooded circles with a gopher in a pocket (Pocket Gophers), or with a zig-zag line across the gopher (Gopher Broke). The main shade pavilion was topped with a flag showing a pair of crossed black powder pistols, the "Pair of Shoots" pavilion made out of an orange and white parachute (what else?). We decorated the site with strings of purple pennons (the grapevine) and Paul was the official "Sour Kraut". We played a number of games during the day, which was topped off by "The Puntuckey Derby". The derby turned out to be quite the contest and after the event Paul and Mistress Aileen Bardon wrote the following filk song to tell of the contest.

PUNTUCKY DERBY
or
The Freeze of Herald Lord Fionn Creagh
(to the tune of Ghost Riders in the Sky)

A bold shire herald went stridin' out
one bright and punny day.
He entered in the Derby
and some were heard to say!
"The knaves don't stand a chance now
since Fionn came in the race;
He'll beat them all by several lengths,
He is our punning ace."

Chorus: Punny-yi-a, punny-yi-o
Puntucky Derby, ho!

With two rounds down twas plain to see
they'd need a little boost.
A Persian lady volunteered
with subjects fast and loose.
The pace picked up, twas neck and neck;
the puns flew thick and fast.
The racer's puns were on the mark,
we knew they could not last.

The floral theme had blossomed and
the puns rose wide and high.
Eventually, the fishes schooled

to be the subject nigh.
Twas then the mighty Fionn locked up
and yielded his first place,
ignominiously fading back,
his tunic o'er his face.

The subject changed to horses
and contestants dropped like flies.
The final two were Scotsmen
and they vied with packs of lies.
The victor won the contest with
the best that we'd heard yet;
Just mentioned in his phrasing
famed Sec-retariat!

Now, all and sundry recognized
the Herald's puns are best,
and, when required, a herald can
pun north, south, east and west.
But, the great Puntucky Derby froze
Lord Fionn Creagh through and through,
and the winner was a dour Scot:
Lord Brynach had proved true!

Lord Fionn Creagh is a tall, thin, red head with a wonderful sense of humor. He was one of the founding members of the Shire and served as herald and chronicler. He now lives in Hinterland, although he has not been active. Lord Brynach and his wife, Lady Phillippa moved here from Calontior and were part of the group when we petitioned for Baronial status. Lord Brynach served as herald and Lady Phillippa served as MOL and as herald. They still live in Fort Collins, but haven't been active for a number of years.

A Brief History of the Barony

SCA rumblings in this area started with Canton Goldenvelt. It was primarily composed of CSU students. It lasted for a few years and then passed into history. When the rumblings started again, they were stronger and so the shire of Stonehaven was born. Some of the founding members are still around today such as Sir Kevin McKinnon, the Shire's first Knight Marshall.

Stonehaven got off to a roaring start. In October AS XVII, 1982 Gregorian, the organization began and on November 6 an organizational meeting was held in the dwelling of Marshak the Golden Wolf and Morrigan at 1713 Pecan.

At this revel, officers were elected for the shire. Also discussed was the matter of Society memberships, medical forms for fighter practice, the absence of a location for indoor fighter practice, Caerthen Twelfth Night, the possibilities of a prize tourney to be held in this shire, and some of the logistics of attending a The Great Desert War held in the somewhat warmer southern reaches (This was the predecessor of Estrella War). Naming the shire was discussed, but deferred until the next revel due to a small dissenting minority. The meeting was ended with great rejoicing and followed with a bardic circle.

On December 5, 1982 a revel was held at the haven of Christopher Longstaff and Arlena of Stonymede. At the business meeting, a name was selected for our shire. According to the vote, the first choice for our name was Stone Haven, the second choice was Dun Cuhlain and the third choice was Harp Sword.

The name of the newsletter was announced, and ratified by rousing and unanimous acclamation. The meeting was concluded amid much joy. What followed included eating, gaming, dancing and song.

The first Tosspot, bearing the fellow that Damiana wonderfully rendered in color for the Fifth Baronial Anniversary issue as the cover art, was printed for January AS XVII, 1993 Gregorian. With the exception of two June/July issues, the Tosspot has been printed monthly since then. This first Tosspot shows just how gung ho the group was. There was a full slate of officers instead of the handful required. Fionn Craig was the first Chronicler. (For a full list of officer please see the compiled list elsewhere in this issue.

Stonehaven was made a Shire on June 23, A.S. XIX, or 1984 Gregorian, by Freana, Rex and Richenda, Regina. By this time the heralds had sat on the name so long that another group had been granted it, a group that is no longer around. A new name was needed and after many evening of discussion the name Uns Haven was selected. It's kinda German for "Our Home" but in actuality, it comes from the word unshaven and was very appropriate at the time because that was the general state of the men in the barony. The heralds liked the German meaning but corrected the grammar to Unser Hafen and so the name of our Barony was born. Next came the device. Vert, a portcullis Or within a laurel wreath argent, all within a bordure embattled Or. Both were approved and registered by August AS XXIV, 1989 Gregorian.

By this time Unser Hafen had become large enough to think about becoming a barony. After a lot of hard work Unser Hafen was invested as a Barony on October 6, A.S. XXV, or 1990 Gregorian, by Artan III, Rex and Aziza, Regina. Sir Kevin and Mistress Ismenia were the first Baron and Baroness of Unser Hafen. Ismenia Stepped down on August 1, 1992 and Kevin stepped down on July 30, 1994. And it was to Artan IIII, Rex and Aziza, Regina who were on the throne to oversee the first change of Unser Hafen's Coronets. Minamoto no Akira san was appointed as Vicar for the night to guard the barony. Equis Titus and THL Llamrei Were invested as Praefectus and Cheiftan the following day. And now it is time to celebrate the fifth anniversary of our elevation to Barony.

(Compiled from past Tosspots by Robin of Bristol)

Coronets/Vicars

Sir Kevin McKinnon, Baron Unser Hafen	10/6/90-7/30/94
Mistress Ismenia Wydameer, Baroness Unser Hafen	10/6/90-8/1/92
Minamoto no Akira sama (Vicar)	7/30/94-7/31/94
Eques Titus Claudis Severus	7/32/94-present
THL Hancarata Aethnen fillia Cuneddea (Llamrei)	7/31/94-presnet

(Beloved) Seneschal

Dafydd Ap Mywell	12/82-2/84
Lady Ismenia Wydameer	3/84-11/84
Lady Madeleine de la Rochelle	12/84-12/85
Lord Kevin MacKinnon	1/86-12/87
Lady Tehri Hadeel (Theresea die Tanzerin)	1/88-1/90
Lord Titus Claudius Severus	2/90-12/91
Lady Rosalind of Wellmark	1/92-1/94
THL Theresea die Tanzerin	2/94-present

Herald

Marshak the Golden Wolf	12/82-7/83
Kevin MacKinnon	8/83
Fionn Creagh	10/83-2/87
Brynach MacCallium	3/87-3/88
Lady Phillippa of Mag Mor	4/88-10/88
Lord Owen Keith (Francis Owen Roderick Keith)	11/88-10/90
Lady Averick of Glen Rowany	11/90-9/91
Lady Medhbh O'Duibhdabhoireann of Clontarf	10/91-4/93
Office split 5/93	

Barbican Pursuivant

Diedre	5/93-6/94
Lady Wenhauer von Eirich	7/94-present

Court Herald

Lord Aedhan Brecc	5/93-6/94
Lord Sean Ui Neill the Staffmaker	7/94-7/95
Lord Duncan O'Shea	8/95-present

Knight Marshall

Kevin MacKinnon	12/82-7/83
Fritjoff Tygesson	8/83-4/85
Thrx the Dark Crusader	5/85-9/85
Cornak MacBorden	10/85-9/86
Gryfalcon Thorsvorne	10/86-8/87
Eldric Icepusher	1/88-8/88
Lady Llamrei ap Pendaran	9/88-9/90
Lord Galen Shadowraven	10/90-3/92
Lord Aedhan Brecc	4/92-4/93
Lord Tuman Ellyozof	5/93-4/95
Arglwydd Caradoc ap Rhys	5/95-present

Knight Marshall for Fence

Lord Robert Stewart	11/94-present

Minister of Arts and Sciences

Guy de Negentrop	12/82-1/84
Science only	
Lord Guy de Negentrop	2/84-9/84
Arts only	
Varda Leona	2/84-8/84
Both	
Lady Madeleine de la Rochelle	10/84-10/84
Fippon MacLir	12/84-9/85
Ian Greggori Von Mal	10/85-10/86
Lord Owen Keith	2/86-10/88
Undwyn the Rhymer	11/88-9/89
Lady Rhianwen ferch Morgant (Mistress Rashiqah bint Azhar)	10/89-12/90
Lady Fionnghuala of Lindisfarne	1/91-6/92
Lord Gerald an Ard	7/92-7/93
Lady Cala of Savatthi	8/93-7/94
Lady Elszebeth of Vorosvari	8/94-3/95
Lady Galiana Isadora	4/94-present

Treasurer

Arlena of Stonymead (Arlena Kaarnasdadir)	2/84-12/85
Tehri Hadeel	1/86-12/87
Lady Ismenia MacKinnon	1/88-9/89
Jiliana Emlin	10/89-3/91
Lady Rosalind of Wellmark	4/91-12/91
Lord Tamlene ap Guideon	1/92-7/95
Signeur Mark de Saint-Saveur-le-Vicompt	8/95-present

Healer/Chiurgion

Morrigan du H'lougardhall	12/82-7/83
Lady Aasa Shipfurer (Aasa Jonsdatter)	4/85-7/87
Saib Ja'far al-Ta'ib	8/90-7/92
Oriana	8/92-2/93
THL Llamrei Aethnen	11/93-12/93
Mistress Aileen Bardon	9/94-present

Sheriff/Reeve

Athenaciaus the Rightious	12/82-7/83
Lord Marshack the Golden Wolf	12/84-8/85
Lady Ismenia MacKinnon	1/86-12/87
Eldric Icepusher	9/88-3/90

Chronicler

Fionn Craig	12/82-12/83
Lord Kevin MacKinnon	1/84-10/85
Lady Anastazia Winogrodzka	11/85-1/93
Lord Robin Spenser of Bristol	2/93-present

Mistress of Lists

Lady Aurien Chimmerstone	12/82-7/83
Morrigan du h'Longardall	11/84-4/85
Lady Phillippa MacCallum	7/89-12/90
Lady Theresea die Tanzerin	1/91-2/92
Larissa the Lacemaker	3/93-1/94
Lady Killinen	2/94-7/95

Elsbeth ni Ailpeine (the Dark)	8/95-present

Quarter Mistress/Quartermaster

Arlena of Stonymead	8/83-1/84
Lord Gunther der Wanderer	4/90-present

Hospitaler

Arlena of Stonymede	12/82-7/83
Lady Arwen Southernwood	10/83-10/85
Aileen Bardon	11/85-2/87
Lady Philipa of Mag Mor	3/87-3/88
Lord Claudius Titus Severus (Titus Claudius Severus)	5/88-1/90
Lady Averick of Glen Rowany	2/90-10/90
Medhbh O'Duibhdabhoireann	11/90-7/91
Katerina von Lehmann	8/91-4/92
Minamoto no Akira San	5/92-3/95
Elsbeth ni Ailpeine (the Dark)	4/95-7/95
Lady Killinen	8/95-present

Archivist

Gwydion of Unser Hafen	7/89-11/92
Lord Paul van der Holzstaub	10/94-present

Scribe

Lady Sabh Donnabhain	8/90-7/91
Lady Madeleine de la Rochelle	8/91-9/94
Mistress Drahomira Jaroslavna	10/94-present

Archer Marshall

Thorfinn Greybeard	11/91-3/92
Equis Titus Claudius Severus	4/92-1/94
THL Rosalind of Wellmark	2/94-present

Ministry of Children

Lady Galiana Isadora	8/95-present
Segovax Vercingetorix Nertocenmarus	8/95-present

From the cattle raiding Exploritores

Unto the good people of Unser Hafen, greetings from Lord Wayland, "Ouch!"..My gentile wife, Octavia, sends her greetings as well.

Let me begin by saying thank-you for all the wonderful parting gifts we received at our last gathering. "Ouch!"..Octavia is very fond of the cattle prod. We have some wonderful memories of all of you and the times we have shared. I know that we shall always think of Unser Hafen and BoFharrach as our home. There are no words that can come close to describing how much you mean to us and how sincerely we shall miss you. It is difficult to leave such good company.

Many of you may not be aware that we were charged by the local authorities {Chieftain, Prefectus, and Grand Nagus} with the task of leading a cattle raid in Ansteorra. The raid is going rather well, although we did start a little earlier than planned. Our sincere apologies to Caerthe, but, those cows looked mighty familiar. Rule number 19: If they look just like our cows, they're ours. We have found the cows in Ansteorra to be of average size, slightly less enthusiastic about traveling at night, and their horns are way too long.

We have been well received in the Shire of Seawinds. The group is small with few older members. They seem very glad to have us and are eager to begin learning dances and games. We will write again soon and let everyone know how the cattle raid is going. If you would like to contact us, this our new address.

Lord Wayland and Octavia Virago Marcellus c/o Scott and Susie Griffin 5634 Fresno, Corpus Christi, Tx. 78411 (51Z) 853-1944

Yours in Service,

Lord Wayland of Ourlach

Report from the A&S Minister of BoFharrach

This month we were blessed to witness the marriage of Lughbec and Conchobhar at the Highland Games. It was truly a wonderful event. Lughbec did a fantastic amount of research and work on this project. (Three Cheers)

The end of August was our Blue Moo. It to was a fine event hosted by our teenage alutocrats. We are looking forward to the next one.

We are interested in having some classes on Brewing. Are there any interested teachers out there? We also want to have some classes over the winter on needle arts and documentation. If you can help us in out quest please call me.

Thanks,
Amice

Dofharrach Rules of Cattle Acquisition

1. Anything worth doing is worth doing for cattle.
2. Always be true to your clan and their cattle.
3. The only good cows are our cows.
4. Opportunity plus instinct equals more cattle.
5. Owning cattle doesn't ensure happiness, but never hurts.
6. Be generous today with cows you can get back tomorrow.
7. Never do more to obtain cattle than you need to.
8. Never liberate cattle from another clan. unless you are sure you can get away with it.
9. Never let your cattle appear to belong to another.
10. Never look a gift cow in the mouth, check her eges and hooves first.
11. Never seek revenge upon fools, seek their cattle instead.
12. Never shall an imperfect king remain king. but an imperfect cow can become a feast.
13. Never can our clan have too many cows.
14. If the cows are on our land, they're ours.
15. If the cows are on land that used to be ours, they're ours.
16. If the cows are on land that we wish was ours. they're ours.
17. If we can guard their cattle better than they can, they're ours
18. Just because it's not a cow, doesn't mean we shouldn't acquire it.
19. If they look just like our cows, they're ours.
20. If it looks like a cow, walks like a cow, and sounds like a cow, it's our cow.
21. There must be fifty ways to get more cattle.

Warning!: Gentles caught using these rules must be dofharrenghi or pay cattle tribute to dofharrach

Done by Our hand this 22nd day of August AS XXX being 1995 Gregorian

Llamrei
Chieftain

TITVS
Praefect

timon Phocas
Seneschal

Mortar and Stone

by Pendar the Bard

Go to the front lines of battle we're ordered;
The first to face glory or death in the fray.
Our King blocks the risk to his realm from invaders
With our golden portcullis to stand in their way.

Chorus:
So let foemen be wary who see us before them.
They'd waste far less strength breaching mortar and stone.
For when bold Unser Hafen stands close at the ready
The courage that binds us cannot be torn down.

Of mortar and stone are the walls of a castle
Yet even the strongest may fall to a blow.
But a portcullis shields us with bars if cold iron
And its teeth fall like spears crushing all those below.

Chorus:

When battle is over we stand with our brothers;
We honor their praises though each of us knows
That though it was kingdom that called us to battle
We fight for our house, it's from there our strength flows.

Chorus:

help wanted

RIDES AND RIDERS!

IF YOU NEED A RIDE TO DANCE CLASS OR CAN PROVIDE A RIDE, CONTACT ME AT 482-6608 OR 484-5749

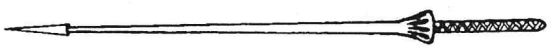
THLTheresea

CHILDREN'S COORDINATORS

WE NEED PATIENT PEOPLE TO HELP COORDINATE ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN. THESE PEOPLE WILL HELP SET UP A SCHEDULE FOR ACTIVITIES DURING EVENTS, AND COORDINATE WITH THE PARENTS TO MAKE SURE THE KIDS ARE BUSY AND SAFE.

Lady Galiana (416-0474)and M'Lord Segovax (282-1052) will act as Co-Chairs for this Committee

HELP IS NEEDED FOR A GREAT VARIETY OF JOBS FOR THE BARONIAL A&S TO BE HELD ON NOV. 4&5. CONTACT LORD MARK AT 225-8081 TO VOLUNTEER.



YOUR ATTENDANCE AND OPINION IS NEEDED OCT 16TH AT THE FORT COLLINS CITY LIBRARY, BEN DELATOR ROOM FOR A BARONIAL MEETING.

The History of English
Part Nine
by Robert Spenser

Thus continues my series on English.

In the history of English there are very few absolute divisions that can be made. Yet there are certain dates that mark definite changes in the language. The most notable is October 14, 1066, the defeat of the Saxons by the Normans at Hastings and the rise of Norman French as the aristocratic language in England.

Old English did not just go away overnight nor did English really change for a while yet. It took nearly a hundred years for the Anglo-Saxon Chronicle to switch from Old English to Latin (for some reason they didn't care for Norman French). But the impact was quite noticeable right away. The Doomsday Book, compiled by 1086, was, if I remember correctly, in Norman French and William's successor, Harold, had to write some of his edicts in Norman French and Old English so everyone could understand it. But just what was "Norman" French and who were the Normans.

In years previous to the Norman conquest, the "Vikings" terrorized the costs. One group settle in northern France and adopted the language. I would theorize that they changed languages because the men settled and took French wives who taught their children French. Being Norse men (from modern Norway) they called themselves Normans. It isn't a French word because the French word for man is homme. By 1066 the Normans had become strong enough to give the French a lot of trouble so it isn't much of a surprise that part of Williams force at Hastings was French. Not only were the Normans troublesome, they couldn't even speak good French.

Following the conquest, Norman French didn't really pick up any English attributes. They continued their close ties to France and kept their French as good (or bad) as it had ever been. English, however, began to change quite radically. First to go was the Anglo-Saxon writing. The French scribes made some changes to the characters used in English. 'Þ' was replaced by 'th' and the pattern of 'hw' for most of the question words was changed to 'wh'. 'C' was replaced by 'k' and 'c' was now used for both 'k' and 's' sounds depending on which vowel it preceded. These changes did not happen overnight, but by 1300 the language could not be called Old English. The typical date for the change from Old to Middle English is between 1150 and 1200 which is when the Anglo-Saxon Chronicle changed from Old English to Latin.

From 1066 to 1300 there was a constant decrease in the number of works written in English. Scholars favored French or more often Latin. Geoffrey of Monmouth, who wrote the famous/infamous History of the Kings of Britain, was active in the latter Twelfth Century and wrote in Latin. It wasn't until 1400 that English returned to the scene as a literary language with Chaucer's Canterbury Tales. The oldest manuscripts of that both date from 1400 to 1415. But by then English was approaching another change, becoming Modern English, usually sometime around 1500. Most of what I will cover in coming parts will be from the latter Middle English period.

Now as to what happened to the language itself, due to the Norman French the aristocracy spoke, the commoners adopted many new words into English, usually referring to something in the ruling class. Grammatically English lost most of the rest of its inflectional endings and was greatly simplified. The vocabulary nearly doubled with all the additional French words and some new tenses were added giving English more depth and a wider range of meanings.

To be continued ...

To their Excellencies Praefectus Sir Titus Claudius Severus and Chieftain Hancarata Aethnen filia Cunneddae, called Llamrei, and the populace of the Great Barony of Unser Hafen does Lady Marhuma Maniyzeh az Basra, called Mazuna of the Farshore, send Greetings in this Thirtieth year of the Society for Creative Anachronism.

Once upon a time, seven long years ago did I, a wanderer from afar, find my way into the vast wilderness that is the Outlands. There I happened upon the Shire of Unser Hafen, and found it populated with many good gentles. For a time it was my pleasant fortune to sojourn there and learn something of that beauteous land and its shining Keepers of the Dream. I think back now on those times at whiles, for it is my destiny to wander in a far different realm, fighting different foes, singing different songs, dancing to the music of a different dream. But, at times, the memory of those days in Unser Hafen steals upon me, my heart sighes with nostalgia and I desire to once again look upon those days with waking eyes. But they are gone forever. Unser Hafen is now a lofty Barony - so much has changed. Now, as the wandering star that guides my destiny prepares to carry me far away to lands beyond the reach of all but the most sturdy of steeds, I wanted to recall the names of those who stand out in my memory, and say how their light brought joy to my life, and in this way say farewell from afar to them and to the days when we walked side by side in the Dream. I shall name these good gentles in no particular order, only as the memories in my heart dictate:

Llamrei, now the very Honorable Chieftain of these northern reaches of the Outlands, and Sir Titus Claudius Severus, your Praefectus. I was privileged to know both of these good gentles when we all three lived in Ansteorra, long before they received their AOA's. They introduced me to the SCA and the Dream and remain examples for everyone of the good the Dream can work. There it was Llamrei and Titus began learning the arts of fighting, for which they are so justly renowned. Titus, of course, has always been impressive by dint of his great stature, but imagine, if you will, the courage of the young Llamrei, donning armor and sallying forth to do battle with warriors twice her size. Many a time did I gape in awe, for no matter what the outcome, she remained [and remains] dauntless in the face of the enormity of this challenge she has set for herself. There are so many moments I remember. Forgive me old friends, but I am moved to relate this story: I shall never forget the Kissing game at my first revel in the Barony of Namron and how Titus, not yet a Lord, fell to the floor in an amorous embrace with a lady whose name I can no longer remember, whereupon a very fierce Llamrei booted his bu-- [never mind] and threatened the unfortunate lady's life. All this was in great fun, I must assure you! Nor shall I forget the last event these two dear friends attended in Ansteorra - Samhain - for it was then they received their AOA's during one of the best feasts it has ever been my privilege to taste. Llamrei also received honors in the Bardic contest that day, as I remember. How the Barony of Namron grieved when they left. And now they lead bright Unser Hafen.

Lady Chala, once known as Chaylay. We met at an Oktoberfest demo in AS Z3 here in Unser Hafen when it was but a shire. She did an amazing Central Asian dance, bedecked in authentic Central Asian garb complete with three foot long braids. I will never forget the sight of her candle dance under the tent at Flowers of the Desert or her grace by firelight under the stars at the Unser Hafen Unmelees high in the mountains on a cold summer night. She graciously took this wanderer under her wing when I was but a painted barbarian and sought to civilize me. Civilize me she did! Together we explored the beauty of middle eastern culture. For her tutelage in eastern dance and garb, for her gentle friendship in those first days of my dwelling here, I will ever take joy and be grateful.

Mistress Rashika (? spelling) once known as Lady Rhianwen ferch Morgant. Once we dwelt in fellowship at Doma Via and had many memorable times. Thank you for your patient help with garb and for sharing the pleasure of dance and co-creating the Chieftain's Stag's Blood scroll. It is good to see you have reached the heights you once dreamed of and for which you have worked so hard. May your labor to spread your love of Beauty and the Dream always bring you joy.

My friends in the dance: Lady Katherina von Lehmann and Lady Vivienne Archambeau. We spent many pleasant times dancing together at various events. And, of course, Sir James, wonderful drummer and consummate gentleman. His dedication to the worship and service of Beauty is equalled only by one other man I have met in my life.

The Honorable Lady Theresea die Tanzerin and the Honorable Catriona Sterling de Liston. The Honorable Lady Theresea die Tanzerin was Seneschal when I arrived seven years ago, and fittingly as I leave [I love the symmetry of it all] she is Seneschal once more. She was an exemplar of honor, guiding

Unser Hafen with firm wisdom and common sense. She, like THL Rosalind after her, has an unerring sense of where each gentle fits within the fabric of Unser Hafen, and is capable of tactfully guiding them there. In those days THL Catriona had just started her now famous Dance Practices. She and Lord Francis conducted them in the basement of a church just off Boardwalk for a handful of gentles. Both THL Catriona and Lord Francis have devoted their best energies to researching period music and dance and sharing that knowledge with the grateful gentles of Unser Hafen. For the last seven years they nurtured the Dance in Unser Hafen until it has become an institution central to the social life of the Barony. And I shall never forget that it was at Dance Practice that I met my wonderiul husband, Sojanus. Now we have walked a long and happy road together and have two wonderful sons: Connor [Yazdanyar - but that's another story!] and Duncan. Did I mention what a wonderful storyteller THL Catriona is?

Baron Dirik Reverson. He was our version of Don Juan, very tall, very dark, dashing, dangerous. Danger is not something to hold to one's bosom, but an occasional brush with it is inspiring, energizing, desirable. I'll say no more.

Lord Galen of Shadowraven - A doughty warrior with a pure heart and chivalry second to none truly a pearl of great price.

Baron Sir Kevin MacKinnon and Mistress Ismenia. When I first arrived, of course, Lord Kevin was not yet Sir, nor Lady MacKinnon yet Mistress and the Barony was a dream to be fought for and realized. They were both clearly at the center of life in the Shire in those days. I remember especially my first Roman Bath, the steam, the funny games, too much wine. And how can I forget the Play, Demeter and Persephone, at Unser Hafen Defender in AS 24, in which Kevin played Hermes and how, bedecked only in a flimsy white tunic with silver wings upon his heels, he was called before His Majesty to be offered Knighthood. Ah, the Mighty Unser Hafen Players were born that day as well. And always in dreams I will hear the sound of the bagpipes [played by Lord Brynach MacCallum] as Sir Kevin marched between two aisles of Unser Hafen's Populace toward King Artan and Queen Aziza, newly crowned, to petition that Unser Hafen be elevated ~o a Barony. How the gentles of Unser Hafen shone that day!

There are so many gentles and moments to think back on: Lord Gerald an Ard's marvelous feast at Flowers of the Desert, Lady Madeleine de la Rochelle's exquisite garb and scrolls, Lady Sabhdh ni Donnabhain's great gift as an illuminator, Lord Sean Ui Neill the Staff Maker's gift of gab, the loyalty and steadfastness of Lord Gunther der Wanderer, the Salons of the brilliant Lady Flyte of St. Edmund's Hall, glorious Ban Irel dancing in the candlelight to the drums of Lord [now Master] Sylvanus under the silken tent at Flowers of the Desert while his sublimely beautiful Ban Righ Tess looked on, the powerful mind of Mistress Kyriel instructing a room full of fascinated gentles in the art of drama, mushroom hunting with Chieftain [then Lady] Llamrei and Lord Tamlene high in the mountains in late summer, the humility and quiet strength of Lady Dorothea, Lady Fionnghuala Bethoc of Lindisfarne's wonderful tale of the bravery of Unser Hafen on the Fields of Estrella, the many illustrious deeds of the incredibly talented Inn of the Madwoman: Mistress Aileen, Mistress Drahomira, Lady Adrianna, Lady Anastazia, Lady Charlene, et al. And so many have come and gone: Lady Averick of Glen Rowany [the Barony's first Court Herald], Lady Jiliana Emlin [she of the wild auburn locks and passionate gypsy soul], Kenzie O Padraig [a careless young rogue, but lovable nonetheless], the carefree Lords Karl and Jafar [once inseparable] striding forth to do battle side by side with swords held high, Symon de Warewyck wise, wry, and terribly handsome], and Dragomir de Featherstone [small, lithe and serious] all stand out in my mind. And, sadly, I too have joined their company.

Now the shadows fall between my eyes and those days. Shortly aRer the Barony was created, only but a year or two later, the Star who guides me cast its light along a path leading sharply away from the wide lands of the Society, and now I can only look back and sigh, but I do so with love and gratitude for those days. Please know, those who I have named and those who stand in the shadows, unnamed but not forgotten, that I will carry with me always the joy of those days, a joy I wish for each and every one of you, for so long as you remain Companions of the Dream, or along any path your destiny may take.

Farewell to you all from Mazuna, Wanderer under strange stars far from your Dominion.

To contact Mazuna at her new residence:
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Del City, OK 73115
(405) 672-6297

Newcomers Competition and Revel!

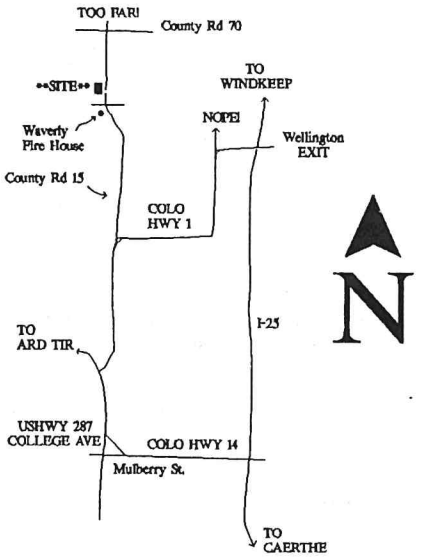
On October 7, the Barony of Unser Hafen invites people from far and wide who are new to the Society to come for a free day of fun! This event is to celebrate your joining us in fun for the last year and to allow you to show off your accomplishments so far!

On the planned list of events are a heavy weapons tourney, and a light weapons tourney hosted by Lord Robert - Knight Marshall for Fencing. Both tournaments are open to fighters who have been authorized for less than one year. Pickup tournaments for all fighters will be held as time allows. Also an archery competition (for those with less than 1 years experience), arts and sciences competition, and a number of classes, including one on documentation by Mistress Drahomira, and construction of a period leather belt - you must be pre-reserved and prepaid for this class, leave a message for Lord Sean at 484-5749. Members are asked to clean out their SCA closets and donate any items (feast gear, fabric, craft materials, armor, tools, clothing, tents, camping supplies, coolers, etc.) to this year's bazaar. Proceeds will go to the Barony to support winter activities. The Honorable Lady Theresea is coordinating the bazaar, you may reach her with your donated items or to arrange booth space for yourself (tithes required) at 482-6608 or 484-5749. Feast will be a potluck, please bring a dish to serve 10. If you haven't signed up for a dish yet, please call M'Lady Moira with your recipe idea at 495-1924. Court at their Excellencies' whim, then an evening of period games and dance. Site will be the Waverly Community Center 14031 N. County Rd 15, Wellington, opening at 9:AM, closing at midnight. Site is dry, and no smoking indoors. Members, please feel free to bring small prizes to personally hand out throughout the day to newcomers whose efforts have impressed you.

Autocrats whim competition open to all- Period candy and sweets competition (excluding cakes and pies).

FEES- NEWCOMERS site- free, feast $3 or a dish. ALL OTHERS site- $3, feast- $3 or a dish.

AUTOCRAT- Lady Wenhauer, 970-225-8081, 5101 Redbud Ct., Ft. Collins, CO 80525. Make checks payable to SCA- Unser Hafen.



University of Caerthe

This month, as a thank-you to the Chieftain and Praefectus of Unser Hafen, the Honorable Lady Llamri and Eques Titus Claudius Severus, Mistress Kyriel of Windhover Cliff will present a slide show of some of the British sites this couple might have visited, fought over or lived near.

We will meet on the last Saturday of the month, October 28, at 7:30 P.M., at Windhover Cliff, the home of Mistress Kyriel. A map showing how to get to Windhover Cliff was printed in the June Fortress. All are encouraged to attend. Period garb is optional, but appreciated. For further information, call Master Robin Vinehall, 444-5004. If you are unable to find a map, call Mistress Kyriel, 530-1037, for directions.

For those who wish to come early, around 5:30, there will be a short hike on Windhover Cliff, weather permitting. Wear sturdy footgear, and contact Mistress Kyriel one or two days in advance. Bring a sack supper and potables if you wish. Coffee and tea will be provided.

Blacksmithing Guild

The Blacksmithing Guild is having open smithing once each month, usually on the second Saturday. This month we will be meeting on Saturday, October 21, at Thorfinn and Rosalind's. Please inquire if directions are needed.

Perry and Jo Wells
Thorfinn and Rosalind
3401 El Camanito
Loveland

We start about 9:30 in the morning, and end early to late afternoon. Instruction is available. Bring safety goggles, gloves, ear protection and old clothes (mundane work clothes recommended unless you have suitable garb). Please do not wear clothes made from synthetics.

No level of skill is needed, just some enthusiasm!
Please call if you would also like to smith at another time.

Tamlene ap Guidgen	663-1513
Thorfinn Greybeard	667-1284
Master Garwed Cadburiensis	353-8456

Unser Hafen Arts & Sciences Collegium

November 4, 1995

The Barony of Unser Hafen Arts and Sciences Competition for AS XXX will be held on November 4 & 5 at the Waverly Community Centre in Waverly Colorado. Artisans from within and without the Barony are encouraged to attend and to enter. Judging will be by both entrants and by expert judges. Many prizes will be awarded, much fun will be had by all. The event will be split over two days, with the bulk of the competition taking place on Saturday, November 4. Entrants need not be present on Sunday to compete.

The Plan:
Other than performing arts:
When you arrive, you will check in with the entrants clerk, if you are not certain what category your entry should be in, the clerk will help you to decide. You will be given a booklet which should be attached to your entry. You will also be given a ballot form. There will be a table set up for each of the major categories. Place your entry on the table for the appropriate category.
There will be a ½ hour period set aside for judging in each major category, your entry must be on the table at least ½ hour before this period begins. You are encouraged to examine other entries and to make comments (complementary or constructive) in the booklets that are attached to the entries.
During the judging period for your category you, or your representative should be present at the table for that category. This period will be an occasion for the expert judge to ask questions of you, for you to ask questions of the other entrants and generally to appreciate the work before you. At the end of the judging period, you will be asked to mark your ballot with the entry that you thought best in each of the minor categories. Each entrant will get a maximum of one ballot for each category regardless of how many entries they have.

Performing arts:
When you arrive you should check in with the Performance coordinator. Group performance are allowed, with awards going to the group. Let the coordinator know if you will need any support in your performance (recorded music, special lighting, scenery etc.) If there is appreciable set up time involved for your performance, let the coordinator know. Have estimates of the length of your performance ready. The coordinator will schedule your performance time and prepare for any required support that you need. Depending upon the number and length of the entries, some performances may be scheduled for Sunday, please let the coordinator know if this will not be possible for you. If you are considering entering in the performing arts category, please contact either the autocrat for the event or Lady Ceindrych Costaine (970) 351 0858 so that we can better plan the scheduling.

Documentation:
All entries will require some form of documentation which details the period influence of the entry and any non period features. Mistress Drahomira will be teaching a class on documentation if you feel that you need help in this area.

Autocrat:
Lord Mark de Saint Sauver le Viconte
(Mark Sauerwald)
5101 Redbud Ct
Ft Collins, CO 80525
h: (970)225 8081
w:(970) 225 7410

Categories

Performing Arts	Instrumental
	Vocal
	Recitation (poetry and storytelling)
	Eastern Dance
	Western Dance
Fibre Arts	Spinning
	Weaving
	Dyeing
	Knitting
	Lace making
	Embroidery
	Other
Costuming	Ensembles
	Accessories
	Single Pieces
	Other
Practical Arts	Household Item
	Pottery
	Woodworking
	Leather
	Archery Tackle
	Other
Brewing and Vintning	Beers
	Wines
	Meads
	Others
Cooking	Main Dishes
	Side Dishes
	Breads
	Desserts
	Herbalism
	Other
Modeling	Individual models
	Diaramas
Metalworking	Armor
	Weapons
	Jewelry
	Household Objects
	Other
Visual	Painting
	Glasswork
	Carving
	Sculpture
	Printing
Scribal Arts	Calligraphy
	Illumination
	Materials
Written	Research
	Poetry
	Stories
	Music
	Other

Awards:
There will be awards presented for each category, as well as an award presented for the best entry in each major category. In addition there will be special awards for the following:
Baronial Choice
Populace Choice
Best Original Piece in Period Style
Best Documentation
Best entry from a newcomer
Baronial Champion

The tentative schedule is as follows:

Nov 4 (Saturday)
9:00 am Site Opens
10:00 am Judging for Fibre Arts begins
10:30 am Judging for Practical Arts begins
11:00 am Judging for Modeling begins
11:30 am Judging for Cooking begins
12:00 am Lunch
1:30 pm Judging for Costuming begins
2:00 pm Judging for Brewing and Vintning begins
2:30 pm Judging for Metalworking begins
3:30 pm Judging for Scribal Arts begins
4:00 pm Judging for Visual arts begins
4:30 pm Judging for Written arts begins
5:30 pm Performing arts begin
7:30 pm Feast, followed by Dancing under the guidance of Lady Catriona

Nov 5 (Sunday)
12:00 pm Site Opens, Potluck lunch begins.
1:00 pm Fighter practice, Overflow performing arts if needed
4:30 pm Closing Court and Awards presentation

Outlands Kingdom A&S Collegium

October 14-15, 1995

The Shire of Hinterland would like to invite one and all the Fall Arts & Sciences Collegium of the Outlands. The site is the Gering Junior High School at 7th and Q streets in Gering, Nebraska. Site opens at 8:00 AM both days with classes beginning at 9:00 AM.

Site Fee: $5 - non-members add $3. Feast Fee: $5. Fees for children 5-12, half price; no charge for children 0-4 years. Make checks payable to: SCA - Hinterland.

We are currently planning a soup and bread donation lunch. For food allergies and special dietary concerns, contact the Feast Coordinator Lady Lotus (Florence Richards) at (308) 247-3184.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN TEACHING A CLASS, PLEASE CONTACT MISTRESS LIOBSYNDE BELHRINGERE (Charlease Bobo) at (719) 520-9838 (before 9 PM).

Send Reservations to the Autocrat: Lady Maura c/o Carolyn Lore, Box 207, Minatare, NE 69356 (308) 783-1872.

Directions to site: From the South: Take I-25 to I-80 east to Kimball, Nebraska. Then north on State Highway 71 to Gering, Nebraska. Take the first exit into Gering which will become 10th Street. Proceed on 10th Street to Q Street (at Pizza Hut), turn right (east) and go 3 blocks to the Junior High School. From the West and North: Take U.S. 26 or State 71 to Scottsbluff/Gering. Proceed on State 71 (Avenue "I" through Scottsbluff to U Street in Gering. Turn left (east) on U Street and proceed 12 blocks to 10th Street. Turn right (south) on 10th to Q Street, turn left (east) on Q and go 3 blocks to the Junior High School.

We've checked on prices for motels in our area which are the most inexpensive while still being clean. The Capri Motel has been especially nice to us in the past, giving us their business rate with the mention of the SCA. Please make your own reservations. (A list with prices is in the *Outlandish Herald* as well as a tentative class schedule)

Caer Galen Midwinter

December 9, 1995 AS XXX

The Shire of Caer Galen invites one and all to join us for an evening of revelry as we celebrate Midwinter in the high style of the Italian Renaissance! The event will take place on Saturday, December 9, 1995 at the East Boulder Recreation Center, 5660 Sioux Drive, Boulder, Colorado. (Look for directions to the site in next month's newsletter.) The site will open at 5:00 pm, with feast commencing at 6:30. The feast, prepared by Lord Godfrey de Bolden, will feature Italian Renaissance dishes delightful to all palates, both carnivorous and not. (A menu will be published next month.) Those with special dietary requirements should contact Lord Godfrey to be certain that their needs are met.

Entertainments will abound, and will include dancing, a play, and, of course, Caer Galen Musical Chairs! There will be prizes for the best male and female Italian Renaissance garb. During the course of the evening, the annual Harp of Caer Galen will be presented, in accordance with the traditions of our Shire. It is rumoured that revelry will continue into the night at Lady Kierty's house, home port of the Tiger Shark.

Fee for site and feast is $14.00 until November 15; $18.00 November 16 - December 1; $20.00 after that date (contact the autocrat for availability). Children 12 and under are half-price. Send your reservations to the autocrat at the address listed below. Make checks payable to "SCA - Caer Galen", and include the SCA and mundane names of everyone for whom you are making a reservation. (Reservations must include payment, and so may not be accepted over the telephone.) Feast is limited to 80 people, so get your reservations in early. Regrettably, due to space restrictions, offboard seating will not be available. This is a COMPLETELY DRY site! !

For further information or to make reservations, contact the autocrat:
Maestra Francesca di Pavia
MKA Meg Baron
4502 Driftwood Place
Boulder, CO 80301 -3175
(303) 581-9814

Those with dietary restrictions contact the Chef:
Lord Godfrey de Bolden MKA Brandon Slaten 7416 Park Lane Rd Longmont, CO 80503
(303) 581-0750

Places in the Outlands

Aarquelle - Pueblo, CO
Adams County, CO - *Hawk's Hollow*
al-Barran - Albuquerque, NM
Alamogordo, NM - *White Mountain*
Albuquerque, NM - *al-Barran*
Anlieplic Dun - Los Alamos, NM
Ard Tir - Laramie, WY
Blaiddwyn - University of New Mexico
BoFharrach - Greeley, CO
Boulder, CO - *Caer Galen*
Caer Galen - Boulder, CO
Caer Mithin Halle - Carlsbad, NM
Caerthe - Denver, CO
Carlsbad, NM - *Caer Mithin Halle*
Casper, WY - *Plattefordham*
Cheyenne, WY - *Windkeep*
Citadel of the Southern Pass - El Paso, TX
Clovis, NM - *Scorpions Hollow*
Colorado College - *Tygre's Keep*
Colorado Springs, CO - *Dragonsspine*
Deming, NM - *Loch Thioram*
Denver, CO - *Caerthe*
Drachenhaus - Rawlins, WY
Dragonsspine - Colorado Springs, CO
Drygestan - Santa Fe, NM
El Paso, TX - *Citadel of the Southern Pass*
Farmington, NM - *Fontaine dans Sable*
Fontaine dans Sable - Farmington, NM
Fort Collins, CO - *Unser Hafen*
Gering/Scottsbluff, NE - *Hinterland*
Gleann Medonach - Roswell, NM
Greeley, CO - *BoFharrach*
Hawk's Hollow - Adams County, CO
Hinterland - Gering/Scottsbluff, NE
Hobbs, NM - *Kahlland*
Kahlland - Hobbs, NM
Laramie, WY - *Ard Tir*
Las Cruces, NM - *Nahrun Kabirun*
Loch Thioram - Deming, NM
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Plattefordham - Casper, WY
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Roswell, NM - *Gleann Medonach*
Santa Fe, NM - *Drygestan*
Scorpions Hollow - Clovis, NM
Scottsbluff/Gering - *Hinterland*
Socorro, NM - *St. Golias*
St. Golias - Socorro, NM
Tygre's Keep - Colorado College
University of New Mexico - *Blaiddwyn*
Unser Hafen - Fort Collins, CO
White Mountain - Alamogordo, NM
Windkeep - Cheyenne, WY

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in service to the Incipient Canton of

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Bofharrach

October 1995 Missive from Bofharrach's Chronicler

Greetings from the Udder Cow Herds,

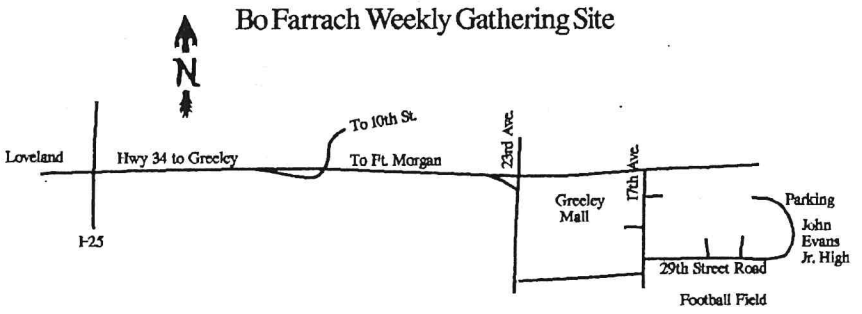
The favorite Canton of Unser Hafen (albeit the only Canton...) is now three years old! Our originating members can no longer consider themselves "Newbies". Although we do have many new persons in our little gathering, our experience and knowlege grows daily. For instance, we now know that "The Baron" is a nice man who shares the responsibility for our well being (poor fellow), NOT a gathering of calfless cows! And, we know that being a part of the Barony of Unser Hafen is a pretty great place to be. Happy Anniversary to all of us! HUZZAH!

Lord Conchobhar tells me that Bofharrach is still patiently awaiting word of our name with the Laurels judgement. Bofharrach is in the works with "The Herald of Heralds" and we should receive an answer any day now. For those of you who know not of our name and it's history, let me explain....no, let me sum up. Bofharrach is an Irish Gaelic word for a place where cows meet. So, we are essentially the "People of the Meeting Place of the Cows". For those who consider cows a matter of hilarity, let me remind you, as with many Mediaeval cultures, the Ancient Irish revered cattle as the mainstay of their economy and many tribal gathering places were named for their attributes to cows. Names meaning such things as -fort of the cows, cows crossing, hill of the cows, cows pasture, and cows stockade, were common Irish town names. Even now, Dunbo (meaning "cow fort") is a left over name of that ancient time and is a townland outside Londonderry. We did not name ourselves "Dunbo" because it reminded too many of us of a flying elephant.

The Queen's Prize Tournament of Arts and Sciences was a great success with those of Bofharrach who were able to attend. Our congratulations go out to Anne Matheu and her lovely "Diorama of a Mediaeval Garden"; Aldhicinna mac Ailpean, who took a marvelous Insular styled Stags Heart Scroll; and I, Lady Lughbec ni Eoin, sent an Insular styled Grant of Arms Scroll. I was also honored to sponsor TH Lady Katrine of Maidstone and her beautiful Celtic Insular Styled Argent Hart Scroll. We all received high praise and got a lot of exposure to the workings of Kingdom level events and were able to talk to many knowlegable and kind people.

Lord Conchobhar O'Loingseachain honored me by asking for, bargaining toward, and winning myself in marriage. We were wed in the traditional style of a Noble Fifth Century Irish Clannad, complete with cattle exchanges, dowry, Brehon Judge review and contract of marriage. I wish to thank everyone who assisted us in this celebratory reinactment.

As many may have become aware, we sent off our noble Lord Wayland and his lady, Octavia to enlarge our herds and spread our , well, whatever it is we spread, in the Kingdom of Ansteora. Our Grand Nagus, Lord Timon Phocas, decreed that we should not send them away without a predetermined set of rules to travel and live by. The Tribal Council of Bofharrach, herded by Lord Conchobhar O'Loingseachain, set



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SEX AND MARRIAGE IN ANCIENT IRELAND

by Lady Lughbec ni Eoin
of Bofharrach

The early -Mediaeval Irish Nobility had an interesting system for the protection of women in marriage. The coibche, or bride price, was continually paid for 21 years, if the marriage lasted that long. Whereas the bride's clan heads got the whole coibche the first year, the bride received one third of it the second year of her marriage and each succeeding year received a larger portion. At the 21st year of her marriage, the wife received the whole coibche for that year. At the end of 21 years one could amass quite a fortune so, if her husband decided to transfer his affections (and his fortune) to a younger woman, the first wife could be fairly set financially. It should be noted that giving and receiving a coibche was tantamount to contracting for a sexual partnership. So when a nobleman wished to sleep with a woman, even for just one night, some form of coibche was contracted. Of course, sometimes it was contracted after the fact. Even if the union was unapproved by the clan it was considered impossible for there to be any "illegitimate children".

The two families of the marrying parties would then work out the specifics of the marriage contract. This entailed all of the properties on both sides and what level of marriage was to be contracted. There were ten levels of marriage subject to legislation with contracts that could contain many aspects that in our current society might seem odd. One could maintain more than one spouse but one must be capable of paying for the privilege and include that point in the marriage contracts. The Ancient Irish contract of marriage was not between two people, but was between both tuath's. All of your kin and all of the spouses kin acknowlege the relationship and support it. The mores were somewhat different then. If time, money, energy, and your tuath supports, you can contract for marriage for a night, a week, a year or any number there after. You can contract for one spouse, or just one <u>main</u> spouse, or a concubine whom you maintain in a house, or a concubine you just visit when you are in the neighborhood, or just about any level of sexual encounters you can imagine between a couple. All of these were to protect the possible offspring and denote how they would be cared for and set up their fosterage.

to be continued.....

about to create our code of conduct and set down the RULES OF CATTLE ACQUISITION (which must be fervently adhered to by the Bofharrenghi with our tongues firmly placed in our cheeks) appearing on the next page. Text calligraphers: Aine O'Dalaigh, Timon Phocas, Ellen Haines, Amice de Fayel, Aldhicinna mac Ailpean, Iona O'hAnrachtaigh, Anne Hathieu, and Conchobhar O'Loingseachain - Concept and title calligraphy by Lughbec ni Eoin, Knotwork and calligraphy by Amice de Fayel, illumination and calligraphy by Conchobhar O'Loingseachain.

In Service to the Dream,

Lughbec ni Eoin

Failte ui chealleigh to the barony from its fairest incipient canton. The weather turns colder, the baronial anniversary looms before us and thoughts turn to... Well, we won't mention what they turn to but as long as we have a deadline they might as well turn to the founding of our Barony. The last time I addressed a subject like this strange things began happening. Now Catholic priests routinely perform the rite of excorcism on my front lawn. I get hate mail on Saint Patrick's Day. Worst of all, a direct marketing enterprise has me on it's mailing and telephone lists! It's not easy being an accomplished liar. The most difficult part is convincing my pastor that it's a vocation.

Without further ado, the BoFharrach (gesundheit!) Institute of Really Old Stuff brings you late breaking research on the founding of Unser Hafen, the SCA and the Middle Ages. Recent excavations in Rome have brought fascinating things to light. Archeologists have unearthed an early fifth century haberdashery filled with leisure suits. In addition, excavation of cemetaries has revealed that leisure suits were quite common in the late fourth and early fifth centuries. This leads me to believe that Alaric the Vandal was not a German barbarian. He was from Paris, he was a fashion designer, and he sacked Rome in a fit of outrage when he found out what Romans really wore. This also sheds new light on St. Augustine's great work, the "City of God", which turns out to be an alternative shopping guide for disappointed consumers. After Alaric's sudden closeout on Roman fabrics (was it really a fire sale?), Imperial citizens dispaired until the towering Bishop of Hippo offered them a spiritual vision. In this seminal work Augustine foretells a heavenly future untouched by worry, where every need is met by an unlimited supply. It sounds somewhat like a WalMart Super Center. I am quite knowledgable about the "City of God" because I have actually driven through Salt Lake City and live near a Super Center.

Moving on from the dawn of the Middle Ages, the Institute Of Really Old Stuff has brought its unmatched investigative powers to focus on the founding of the Barony of Unser Hafen. A long time ago, in a principality far, far away a group of grown men and women got together for the purpose of beating each other over the heads with sticks. The police would have taken them for a street gang but most of them came from preliterate cultures and so did not know how to use spray paint. On finding other like minded therapy groups they were told that they had to have a name. They chose something like "Golden Veal" after a calf someone had stolen. After a while they chose another name, "Stone Haven". This was rejected by the "Collage of Harolds" because it sounded like an apartment complex, and (at any rate) was already claimed by a 12 step group. Moved to desparation, they submitted the name "One Shave" (after a brand of Yugoslavian razor blades) which Harold cheerfully misspelled to "Unser Hafen". Thus, our name.

Ground breaking research like this is why the Institute of Really Old Stuff is so important. Where else would you find information like this on the late Roman Empire? Gibbon's "Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire" blathers on about morals, economic decline, military defeats and changing religion as though they really mattered. The truth of the matter is that you would be wallowing in nonessential fluff if you had not read this article. But we can't do it alone. Pick up your phone and dial 1 900 OLD STUF to keep this unique resource available. If we don't write it, who will? Why would they want to?

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Unser Hafen Practices

Fighter Practice

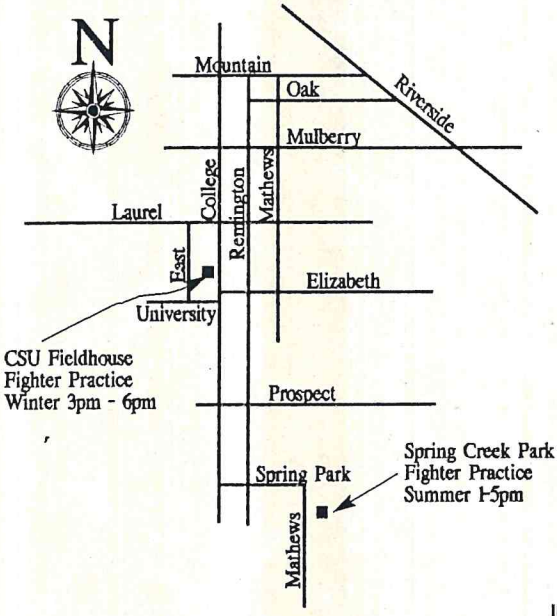
Summer practice is from 1-5 PM on Sundays in Spring Creek Park. The Switch to winter hours starts the second Sunday of November. It will be at the CSU Field House from 3-6 PM.

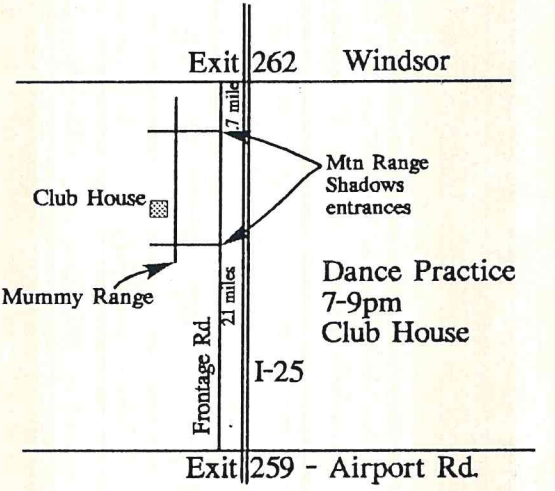
Dance Practce

Second and Fourth Monday's from 7-9 PM at the Mountain Range Shadows Club House. See map.

Archery Practice

Summer practice is every Thursday from 5-7. Winter Hours being the second Sunday of November when it moves to 12-2 PM every Sunday. The site is at the bome of Tamlese and Drahomira, a quarter mile east of I-25 on Colorado Hwy. 402.





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